Exhibit 6A.7. Railway Pension Estimates and Actual Payments

Year	Pension outgoes (Rs crores)		Discrepancies (per cent)		
	BE	RE	Actuals	RE/BE	Actuals/RE
1991-92	963	1000	1040	3.84	4.00
1992-93	1144	1268	1251	10.84	—1.34
1993-94	1516	1516	1488	0.00	—1.85
1994-95	1700	1750	1686	2.94	—3.66
1995-96	1970	2080	2117	5.58	1.78
1996-97	2350	2485	2509	5.74	0.97
1997-98	2500	3667	3509	46.68	—4.31
1998-99	2300	3830	4144	66.52	8.20
1999-2000	3300	4094		24.06	

Recruitment of Unemployed Youths from J and K in the Railways

4393. MIRZA ABDUL RASHID: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) how many educated unemployed youths from Jammu and Kashmir have been recruited, by the Railway Recruitment Board Jammu/Srinagar or any other Recruitment Board of the country during the last five years; and

(b) whether it is a fact that not a single unemployed educated youth from Jammu and Kashmir has been recruited in the Railway Department during the same period; if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) and (b) Recruitment figures are not maintained state-wise. As such, it is not becoming feasible to furnish the desired information.

Meeting of DRUCC

4394. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the meeting of Divisional Railway Users Consultative Committee (DRUCC) held at Nagpur on 11th May, 2001 had to be abruptly adjourned, without transacting any pruposeful business ;

(b) whether the partaicipants expressed serious concern about the uncompromising attitude of the Presiding Officers towards genuine demands of the people of this region;

(c) the reasons for the abrupt adjournment of the meeting, without any discussion on the demands put forward by the members of the Committee;

(d) what steps are proposed to be taken to consider their demands; and

(e) what steps have been taken to ensure smooth conducting of such meetings, in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL) : (a) to (c) In the meeting of DRUCC/Nagpur of Central Railway held on 11-5-2001, the participants did not allow the regular agenda to be taken up and insisted on taking up items of passenger interest at random. Though this was allowed, the meeting did not progress in an orderly manner. 15 DRUCC members walked out, staged a Dharna and also aired their alleged grievances to the press. The meeting, however, continued and discussed the formal agenda with the members present.

(d) Based on the record of discussions held, action has already been taken/initiated on the points raised by the members.

(e) As per convention, the format for the meeting includes Secretary's address, Chairman's address followed by discussion on agenda items forwarded by the members and other items with the permission of the chair; in that order. This will be advised to the members before the next meeting so as to ensure smooth conduct of the meeting.

Gauge Conversions of rail lines

4395. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the Zone-wise route KMs and the running track KMs of broad gauge and metre gauge rail lines in the country;

(b) whether any proposal to convert the whole of the metre gague lines into broad gauge is under the consideration of Government;

(c) if so, the financial requirements for the complete conversion; and

(d) the details of phased completion of conversion programme.